

REMARKS**Status of the Application**

Claims 11, 13, 15, and 56-65 are pending. Claims 56-60 and 63-65 have been withdrawn. Claims 11, 13, 15, and 56-65 have been amended. Claim 11 is independent. The amendments to the claims are supported by the application as filed and therefore do not add new matter. Accordingly, entry of the amendments and the new claims is respectfully requested. Applicants reserve the right to pursue the subject matter of previously pending claims in this or a future application without prejudice.

Although Applicants disagree with the Office Action of December 6, 2010 and believe that the previously submitted amendment was a compliant amendment, Applicants have nonetheless submitted this response to further prosecution only.

Claim Rejections – 35 U.S.C. § 101

Claims 11, 13, 15, 61, and 62 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 101. The claims have been amended to move prosecution forward. Applicants believe that because the currently pending claims are directed to an apparatus, the rejections are moot. Applicants reserve the right to pursue the previously pending claims in this or a future application without prejudice.

Claim Rejections – 35 U.S.C. § 103

Applicants maintain arguments made for the allowance of the pending claims that may be relevant as presented in the Appeal Brief of October 21, 2009. The rejections are therefore improper and should be withdrawn.

Authorization for Email Communication

Recognizing that Internet communications are not secure, Applicant hereby authorizes the USPTO to communicate with any authorized representative concerning any subject matter of this application by electronic mail. Applicant understands that a copy of these communications will be made of record in the application file.

Conclusion

In view of the amendments and remarks, Applicant respectfully submits that the claims are in condition for allowance. Applicant requests that the application be passed to

issue in due course. The Examiner is urged to telephone or email Applicant's undersigned representative if it will advance the prosecution of this application, or with any suggestion to resolve any condition that would impede allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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